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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT B

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Madam:

This communication is responsive to the final Office Action mailed August 12, 2003, Paper No. 14, in connection with the above referenced patent application. Applicants request that the claims be amended as described, and reconsidered.

- **Amendment to the Specification:** none.
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Amendments to the Drawings:** none
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.
- **Conclusions** begin on page 9 of this paper

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